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BUDGET TO MEET STATE NEEDS.

Governor McMullen has courageously met a situation by presenting a budget that does not contemplate a reduction in taxes. He recommends some noteworthy increases in appropriations as compared with those submitted by former Governor Bryan as he was retiring. The difference in the budgets is mainly that Mr. Bryan made no provision for the needs of several state institutions, while Governor McMullen finds it imperative to care for some.

The Bryan budget cut out all expenses for buildings save for a new cell house at the state penitentiary. Mr. McMullen will provide for part at least of the building program at the University of Nebraska and for some other of the state institutions. In his inaugural message, while recommending strict economy, the governor emphasized the point that at times prudent expenditure is a genuine saving.

This has been demonstrated many times in Nebraska's history. At one time or another state institutions have been neglected, in order that a fictitious showing of economy might be made. When settlement day came, as it will come, it was always found that the state had been saving at the spigot and wasting at the bunghole. Proper maintenance of buildings and equipment is good business. The increases made by the governor in his estimates so far as they include public buildings are commend-

Both governors recommended the continuing appropriation for the completion of the state capitol. This can not be altered. For the carrying on of certain activities the McMullen budget restores some, like the Library board, which the Bryan budget dropped. Half a million dollars is added to the estimate for the University of Nebraska, in a place where Bryan lopped off half a million. This great institution is growing faster than the people realize, and if it is to continue serviceable, it must be supported.

Governor McMullen recommends a million dollars more on good roads than was put out in the last two years. He asks that connections be made between improved highways and farms.

The outstanding point is presented in Governor McMullen's message to the legislature:

"The increase of the total appropriations of this budget, as compared with the total budget of two years ago, is undoubtedly more than it would have been had current expenses of the last blennium been properly estimated and judiciously expanded. Under the circumstances, I have been compelled to disregard, as far as possible, the extension of governmental activities into new fields

It requires courage to approach the people with such a proposition, but we believe the public will approve the governor's action when it understands what is involved. Adam McMullen does not intend to allow the interests of the taxpayers to suffer in order that he may keep up the appearance of economy. If his predecessor had had similar courage and foresight, the present situation would not exist. In plain words, the present governor is called on to pay for the mistakes of the man he succeeded In office.

HELP WILCOX PUT IT DOWN.

W. L. Wilcox, recently elected president of the Omaha Athletic club, has taken on a real job. The club is to be congratulated.

In a sense the future of the Athletic club is a test of Omaha. The club fills a genuine need in the community. It suffered with the "blow-up" that followed the post-war inflation, but it is coming again into its own. Wilcox is the leader of the new spirit that insists that the club be restored to its former position.

Omaha is catching its breath once more, and those things that are the expression of the high purpose of the city, are also taking a new breath. We need this new breath in Omaha and Mr. Wilcox is entitled to the united support of the club's membership and of all those in the city who realize what such a club means to the city.

There are those who have the receivership habit, who argue that the club must go through this tortuous path. It is not necessary and Mr. Wilcox has the job of proving that it is not. The club has put him in the lead, it is now the duty of the club members to enthusiastically support him. Here is a splendid opportunity for Omaha men to prove their mettle. The job, however, is bigger than the present members can handle alone. They need the backing of all citizens interested in a rejuvenated

MILADY WITH THE PITCHFORK.

Of course, there are some things that a man does which a woman can not do just as well. Farming, however, is not one of them. While the boys were "Somewhere in France," the girls looked after the crop-raising activities with considerable success. Over in Iowa quite a few have clung to the farm and are making good. A creamery concern, with state-wide connections, has just completed a survey of Iowa and discovers there are 7,500 lady farmers In the state, who are looking after 500,000 acres of

Of these 4,000 are operating their own farms, 20 as managers and not quite 500 as tenants. Of the

500,000 acres in the farms run by women more than 400,000 are under cultivation. The average value of the farms owned and operated by women is in excess of \$27,500. Many other women carry on minor farm operations, such as poultry raising, dairying on a small scale, fruit and vegetable raising, and other activities that more than produce pin money.

No good reason why this should not be so. Machinery has removed the operation of a farm considerable distance from the old-time toil and drudgery. Man's muscle is now replaced by the electric current and the gasoline engine, while the other processes are relieved of a great deal of the man-killing terror that once went with them. Woman can therefore apply her intelligence to the business of producing crops as successfully as a man. About the only thing she can not do as well is to raise the whiskers with which "Ding" delights in decorating his farmer's face. And, as a matter of fact, not many farmers wear beards any more.

LET THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS ALONE.

As might have been expected, the bill to cut the Omaha school district into bits for representation on the Board of Education has made its appearance in the legislature. This measure comes quite as regularly as the biennial session of the body. It is supported by the customary arguments. All that has been said against it, however, still holds good.

The ostensible object of the bill is to give different sections of the city representation on the board. This is to be accomplished by permitting residents in restricted localities to vote for board members. What will be gained by such practice? At present, and for many years, the members of

the board have been selected by the voters of the district at large. Good results have always been obtained. Once or twice the plan to elect by district has been tried, and always it has been abandoned because unsatisfactory.

Under existing conditions no member of the school board represents any particular group or section of the community. Each represents the entire district. To have any other arrangements is to introduce confusion in the board's affairs. Sectionalism, even in a city, establishes a state of affairs that militates against service.

No situation exists in the Independent School District of Omaha that could be cured by the application of the proposed law. No section of the district would be better served. The charge that six members of the board reside in one ward has no force. If all lived in one block, so long as as they are voted for by all the district, no right is put in jeopardy nor any loss to the interest of the schools or their patrons involved.

If the proposed twelve districts were established, immediately we would have a clash of interests. Combinations would be formed, and cliques would control. Members would feel compelled to look after the particular part of the district that elected them, and would lose sight of the interests of the district as a whole. It is very certain that under such an arrangement the affairs of a small section would determine the choice, rather than the general concern

Our schools are being well managed. The present board is doing its utmost to solve problems of administration that may be dealt with in the light of the entire district, and not for the especial benefit of a subdivision. Sections of the city where improvements of school conditions are needed are getting attention. Millions of dollars will be expended during the coming season in the erection of new buildings. Other betterments are being provided for. And the board should be let alone.

The Independent School District of Omaha is not suffering at present because of the character of the board. It certainly would, as it has in the past, if tinkered with along the lines proposed by the bill Messrs. Hines and Caldwell have introduced. We do not want sectionalism in the schools.

The management of the Texas inaugural ball announced "formal" attire, whereupon Pa Ferguson spoke up for Ma and said any cowboy who wanted to dance with his pants tucked in his boots could do so. Pa doesn't intend that Ma shall get in bad, as

The suggestion that the pay of cabinet officers be increased has some merit. Cabinet officers should be put on the same financial plane as football coaches at great universities.

Bolshevists held a memorial service in Omaha without attracting any particular attention. Wonder if an American convention could be so held in

When men like Jack Dempsey write their autobiographies it means that some clever newspaper men have a chance to earn good money on the side.

Minneapolis is getting ready to build a mag-nificent city auditorium. A visit to Omaha would give the committee in charge some valuable hints.

Milwaukee is to have a powerful broadcasting station. But will it be able to distribute a program equal to some distributed a few years ago? The eclipse kept its appointment right on sched-

France, it appears, would have us believe that we owe her something for having accepted our help

ule time, thus setting a good example to a lot of

After taking a chance and being caught at it, a lot of fellows blubber about never having had a

Grocer Gulick, by the way, gives a pretty good example of the benefits of preparedness.

Homespun Verse -By Omaha's Own Poet-Robert Worthington Davie

INCOME TAX PUBLICITY.

I've a job—I am one of the many
Who follows the commoner art;
My joy is the good that each penny Allows me to take from the mart.

If I knew that my master was stealing.
Would I go to his desk and resign?—
Or would I give in to the feeling
Of care for the loved ones of mine?

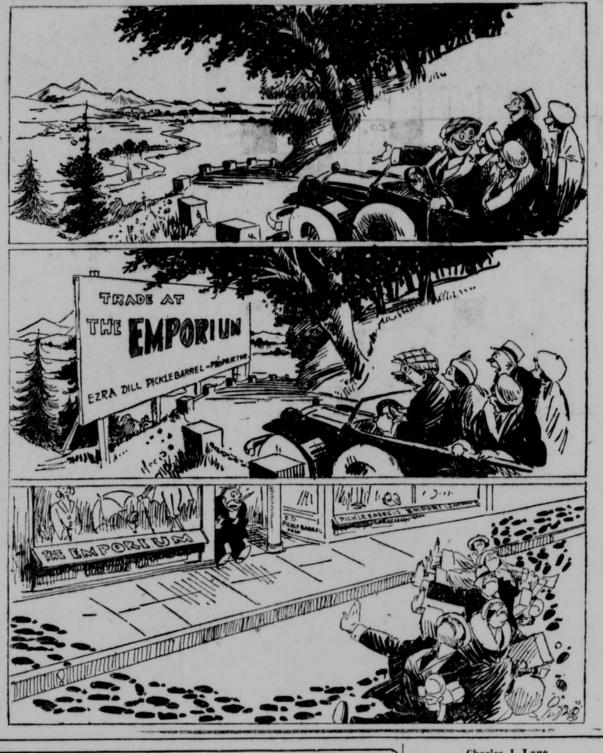
Would I rush like a thunder cloud rising. And tell to the world all I knew! Would I silently keep on surmising, And work as expected to do?

Few men are so honest that money Won't tarnish faith, honor and right, When skies, that at daybreak are sunny, Are veiled by the darkness of night

Bring forth for a candid inspection The transcript and figures and name:— Let there not be the slightest reflection— Straightforwardness need not be shame:

It is not by secret illusions But rather by public intrusic That light the dark tunnels of time.

There's a Cure and You're the Doctor



Letters From Our Readers

never has been a murder case in Oma-ha or Council Bluffs before. Why make an example of this unfortunate girl, while cold-blooded murderers es-Anyone that ever witnessed the wealth. sufferings of a mother during the orcannot help but feel she has been punished enough already. She at least had courage enough to face the world with her trouble and under the world with her trouble and under the most unfavorable conditions. This is a whole let more than a good many the line was unable to make a show-train whirled past. will do under the most favorable con will do under the most favorable con-ditions. Today's article states the man cannot be arrested. He goes over the bridge untouched, escapes all over the bridge untouched, escapes all the suffering and penalty. It appears lines are so shabby and rickety that from evidence already obtained that they would be laughed out of Omaha. and made for the arrival of the child, and was deserted in the darkest hours.

I believe if, as stated, she dreaded the coming of the child, she was mind the companion of the child, she was mind the constantly in the taxon necket. enough, or could have gained informa-tion from the papers last summer and fall, when certain medical men were getting an airing in Omaha. vote)-Mamma, you voted for the man you love best, didn't you? charged with illegal operation), how to bring her trouble to a conclusion before it terminated in child-birth. There are men and women in all cities walking the streets to prevent cruelty o animals. Isn't there anyone in maha that is willing or cares enough to assist in prevention of crueity mothers, or must this girl pay the penalty and furnish an example of the great, just laws in operation while ne "he" murderers escape priso or if in prison, are pardoned M. R. H.

New York's 5-Cent Fare.

Omaha.-To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: Citing New York City's street railway as an example of successful municipal operation of a pub-lic utility, a writer in this column on January 21 urged municipal owner-ship as a panacea for Omaha's trac-The person who wrote that article

was rather unfortunate in his choic of New York as a city which is mak-ing street car operation pay on a 5-cent fare. For the New York system is a glaring example of the political inefficiency which almost invariably accompanies municipal ownership of roprietary business. Consider for a moment the Staten

Island transit lines, an important link in the New York City traction system. These lines lost \$57,118, or more than 50 per cent, in 18 months, according

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head, an' not his intestines, helped

him on t' success?

ance in Nebraska or a wider knowledge of its resources than the late Charley Lane, head of the freight department of the Union Pacific. He Pleads for the Girl.

Hoskins, Neb.—To the Editor of The Omaha Bee: The unfortunate girl facing a murder charge in Council Bluffs seems to be without friends in Omaha or Council Bluffs unless it is her attorney and relatives. From information gained in the columns of the papers, it looks as though there never has been a murder case in Omaha been a murder case in Omaha.

To LeRoy Harkness, transit commissioners of New York City.

Every nickel ride on this trolley actually cost 10.27 cents to produce. Revenue on this line for 18 months was \$54.171.58, against operating and maintenance charges of \$111,289.65. He preferred sticking to the railroad business, and he knew the rate structure from one end to the other.

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"What did your father say when you blew in last night, lit up like a Christmas tree?"
"Plenty, and the static was something fearful."

Scientists tell us that the average span of life is 15 years Scientists tell us that the average span of life is longer than it was a hundred years ago. Being a Missourian by birth, we insist upon being shown. It is our belief that the multiplicity of restrictive laws and the constant interference of Professional Uplifters merely makes life seem that much longer.

When corn was selling around 35 cents we were informed that the low price was due to the destruction of a big corn market when the distilleries closed down. If our informant was correct they must have opened up a lot of distilleries re-

We don't believe that the country is going to the demnition bow-wows. Nor that our young folks are worse than the young folks of a former generation. Nor that our public officials are all dishonest. Nor that there is no longer honesty in the business world. Nor that we are a generation of law-breakers. If we did think so we'd move to Mexico. And we are growing almighty tired of hearing so much pessimism. There are more mighty tired of hearing so much pessimism. There are more good people than bad; more honesty than dishonesty; more respect for law than disrespect. The country's greatest trouble is the number of people who mistake abdominal convulsions for superior virtue.

Speaking about the rigors of winter, did you ever have to Speaking about the rigors of winter, did you ever have to thaw out a frozen wooden pump before brœkfast? Did you ever have to milk four cows before daylight when the thermometer registered 26 below? Did you ever have to scramble into a root cellar for a mess of potatoes and a head of cabbage when there was 18 inches of frozen snow on the ground? Did with the state of when there was is inches of frozen show on the ground. Did you ever hop out of bed on a cold winter morning and try to don a pair of cowhide boots that were wet through when you took 'em off and frozen solid when you picked 'em up? Did you ever have to chop the ice out of the horse-trough before your eyes were fairly open? If you have never been called upon to do all of these things don't come around us complaining about all of these things, don't come around us complaining about

There is a young piano player in our neighborhood who needs only a penitentiary sentence and a good announcer to become famous enough to get an engagement on the two-a-day circuit.

Nebraska Limerick.

There was a bright man in Walthill Who built him a neat little still. Then he said to himself, I'll gather much pelf. No matter how many I kill."

Hereafter the meetings of the Chicago city council are to be opened with prayer. It must be a last recourse.

A feminine correspondent accuses us of being "old-fash-ioned." We plead guilty. We are old-fashioned enough to be-lieve that the home is the place to inculcate moral lessons, by lieve that the home is the place to inculcate moral lessons, by example and precept. We are old-fashioned enough to believe that the parants who delegate to the legislature the duty of regulating children are sowing the wind. We cling to the old-fashioned notion that men can not be made moral by law. And we are such an old fogy that we actually believe in teaching children to work before they become confirmed loafers. Old-fashioned? We'll tell the world! WILL M. MAUPIN.



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